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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF BENJAMIN READ, PRESIDENT, GERMAN

MARSHALL FUND

1BENJAMIN H. READ, PRESIDENT OF GERMAN MARSHALL FUND OF  
UNITED STATES (GMF) AND FORMER EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF DEPT.  
OF STATE (1963-69) AND WIFE ANNE HAVE SCHEDULED VISITS  
BUCHAREST, BUDAPEST AND BERLIN ACCORDING TO FOLLOWING  
ITINERARY:

BUCHAREST: ARRIVING FROM PARIS, AIR FRANCE 718, AUGUST 14,  
3:15PM. STAYING ATHENEE PALACE HOTEL. LEAVING BY TRAIN  
AUGUST 18, 8:25PM.

BUDAPEST: ARRIVING AUGUST 19, AT 8:15 AM. STAYING AT DUNA  
INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL. LEAVING BY TRAIN AUGUST 21ST AT  
2:30PM.

BERLIN: ARRIVING EAST BERLIN AUGUST 22 AT 8:55AM. STAYING  
GEHRHUS SCHLOSSHOTEL. LEAVING BY PAN AM 685 AT 9:00 AM TO  
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FRANKFURT AND US AUGUST 27.

2GMFIS US PRIVATE FOUNDATION WITH AMERICAN BOARD OF TRUSTEES LOCATED IN WASHINGTON. FUND FINANCED BY 150 MILLION DM GIFT IN 1972 - ABOUT DOLLS 4 MILLION ANNUALLY FOR 15 YEARS- FROM FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY IN COMMEMORATION AND APPRECIATION OF MARSHALL PLAN ASSISTANCE. ITS GOAL IS IMPROVEMENT OF INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING AND RESOLUTION OF "COMMON PROBLEMS OF INDUSTRIAL SOCIETIES". IT SUPPORTS US AND NON-US INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONS IN ANY INDUSTRIAL COUNTRY AS LONG AS THERE IS DIRECT OR INDIRECT US AND EUROPEAN INVOLVEMENT. MATERIAL DESCRIBING FIRST PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS SINCE BEGINNING OF OPERATIONS IN JANUARY 1974 BEING MAILED EACH POST BY FUND.

3FOR BUCHAREST: READ WILL BE ATTENDING TWO-DAY MEETING FOR JOURNALISTS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING UN WORLD POPULATION CONFERENCE. GMF ENCOURAGED TOP UN OFFICIALS TO SPONSOR MEETING AND FUND GRANT HAS ENABLED UN TO INVITE EXPERT SPEAKERS WHO WILL ADDRESS RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN POPULATION AND OTHER FUNDAMENTAL COMMON PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPMENT, FOOD ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY ETC. GMF ALSO SUPPORTING CRITICAL EVALUATION OF MEETING BY US JOURNALIST ANTHONY ASTRACHAN.

4READ HOPES TO VISIT WITH AMBASSADOR BARNES DURING STAY AND GET HIS ADVICE ABOUT POSSIBLE ROMANIAN PARTICIPATION IN FUTURE GMF ACTIVITIES AND ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR ROMANIAN CONTACTS. EMBASSY HELP IN SETTING UP APPOINTMENT WITH MIRCEA MALITA WOULD BE APPRECIATED. READ LETTER FOLLOWS.

5FOR BUDAPEST: VISIT WILL BE FOR VACATION PURPOSES BUT IF AMBASSADOR PEDERSEN COULD SEE HIM READ WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY FOR SIMILAR DISCUSSION. LETTER FOLLOWS.

6FOR BERLIN: CONFIRMING AUGUST 7 PHONE CONVERSATION WITH MINISTER KLEIN, READ WOULD APPRECIATE POST ASSISTANCE IN SETTING UP FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS ON ANY DAY OF VISIT WITH FULL UNDERSTANDING THAT VACATION SCHEDULES MAY NECESSITATE MEETINGS WITH TOP DEPUTIES INSTEAD. (1) MAYOR KLAUS SCHUTZ; (2) NEW SEC. GEN. MAIER AND HARTWIG WILBRANDT, UNCLASSIFIED

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SCIENCE CENTER BERLIN; (3) PROF. GOLDBERG AND/OR PROF. SCHARPF, INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT AND DR. WILPERT (WHO VISITED GMF 8/7); (4) ASPEN BERLIN; (5) DR. HELMUT BECKER, MAX PLANCK INSTITUT FUR BILDUNGSFORSCHUNG (WHO RETURNS FROM ASPEN 8/25); (6) PETER PECHEL, CHEFRADAKTEUR, SENDER FREIES BERLIN; (7) DIRECTOR, DEUTSCHES INSTITUT FUR URBANISTIK; (8) DIRECTOR SCHENKEL OF NEW FRG MINISTRY OF INTERIOR BERLIN ENVIRONMENTAL

OFFICE; (9) HEAD OF DEUTSCHES INSTITUT FUR  
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